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1. SUMMARY. YOUNG'S STATEMENTS THAT U.S. WOULD USE ITS DIPLOMATIC POWER TO SEEK CHANGE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, U.S. CANNOT SOLVE ALL OF AFRICA'S PROBLEMS, AND PRESENT ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN GHANA WERE NOT CURRENT GOVERNMENT'S FAULT WERE POINTS EMPHASIZED IN LYANAIAIAN PRESS' FRONT-PAGE TREATMENT OF YOUNG VISIT. END SUMMARY.

2. CONSIDERABLE PRESS SPACE DEVOTED TO VISIT. /DAILY GRAPHIC/ RAN TWO FRONT PAGE STORIES ON YOUNG AND HEAD OF STATE ACHEAMPONG STATEMENTS ON SOUTHERN AFRICA AND PHOTO OF YOUNG, ACHEAMPONG AND SMITH MEETING AT CASTLE; PAGE TWO STORY ON YOUNG STATEMENTS IN ABIDJAN. /GHANAIAIAN TIMES/RAN FRONT PAGE ROUND-UP OF YOUNG VISIT; ACHEAMPONG COMMENTS TO YOUNG ON SOUTHERN AFRICA; PHOTO OF ACHEAMPONG AND YOUNG; PAGE TWO STORY ON YOUNG IN ABIDJAN.

3. WELCOMING EDITORIAL AND COLUMN IN MAY 13/DAILY GRAPHIC/ SAW YOUNG AS EMBODIMENT OF NEW AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY TOWARDS AFRICA.

4. 'WE EXPECT MR. YOUNG WILL FIND INDICATION OF TREMENDOUS SUPPORT IN GHANA FOR HIS POSITIVE PRONOUNCEMENTS ON AFRICAN ISSUES AND FOR THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION'S PROGRESSIVE STAND ON U.S.-AFRICAN RELATIONS,' /GRAPHIC/ EDITORIAL SAID.

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5. /GRAPHIC/ AND /TIMES/ REPORTED MAY 13 YOUNG'S ABIDJAN STATEMENTS THAT BLACK AFRICA WAS SURPASSING SOUTH AFRICA ECONOMICALLY; U.S. COULD NOT SOLVE ALL AFRICAN PROBLEMS BUT DID HAVE COMMITMENT TO SOLUTION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA PROBLEMS; AND POSSIBILITY OF LARGE WESTERN AID PROGRAM TO AFRICA.

6M /GRAPHIC/ AND /TIMES/ PLAYED UP YOUNG STATEMENT THAT U.S.

WOULD USE ITS DIPLOMATIC POWER, AS OPPOSED TO MILITARY, TO  
EFFECT CHANGE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

7. YOUNG'S STATEMENTS ALSO GAVE BOTH PAPERS OPPORTUNITY TO  
QUOTE AT LENGTH ACHEAMPONG STATEMENT, IN RESPONSE TO  
QUERIES BY U.S. PRESS, THAT U.S. MUST PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN  
ENSURING PEACEFUL SOLUTION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

8. /TIMES/ AND /WEEKLY /ECHO/ GAVE FRONT PAGE COVERAGE TO YOUNG'S  
INDIRECT REMARKS TO COLLEGE STUDENTS DEMONSTRATING AGAINST FOOD  
SHORTAGES THAT ECONOMIC PROBLEMS WERE NOT FAULT OF GOG, BUT AROSE  
FROM FACTORS BEYOND GOG CONTROL - QUADRUPLING OF OIL PRICES, ETC.

9. SIMULTANEOUS COLLEGE DEMONSTRATIONS AT ALL THREE UNIVERSITIES,  
OBVIOUSLY KEYED TO YOUNG VISIT, PROBABLY CUT DOWN COVERAGE GIVEN  
YOUNG TO SOME DEGREE: HEADLINES ON BOTH /GRAPHIC/ AND /TIMES/  
DEVOTED TO DEMONSTRATIONS.

10. GHANA BROADCASTING CORPORATION DEVOTED TEN MINUTES OF  
TELEVISION NEWS TIME TO CARRYING YOUNG'S PRE-DEPARTURE  
AIRPORT NEWS CONFERENCE. SMITH

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